

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, see page 6, lines 6-21, filed 24 April 2008, with respect to the 35 USC 112, second paragraph rejections of claims 4, 9, 11 and 16-18 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The 35 USC 112, second paragraph rejections of claims 4, 9, 11 and 16-18 have been withdrawn.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-21 are allowed.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jason M. Greene whose telephone number is (571) 272-1157. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday (9:00 AM to 5:30 PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Duane Smith can be reached on (571) 272-1166. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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